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Dear Commissioner Henney:

I strongly agree with the FDA's decision to irradiate foods, such as meat, fruit, and vegetables to be irradiated. In the following paragraphs, I will give you reasons why I agree on this decision.

The Washington Times says, "Irradiating food is the only method of killing deadly bacteria in foods." Irradiation reduces the levels of listeria, salmonella, and campylobacter bacteria. The Dallas Morning News says, "Recently, contamination at a meat processing plant in Michigan was linked to 11 deaths because of deadly bacteria."

More than 40 countries has approved food irradiation. If that many people and countries say that food irradiation is safe, I'm sure that it is. Washington Times say, "More than 40 countries

have approved food irradiation, it was long ago endorsed by everybody U.N. World Organization, the Medical Association, the American Public Health Organization, and yes, the Agriculture Department and F.D.A." Even though it may cost a little more, it's a lot better to pay a little more to stay alive and healthy.

For my last reason, no one has ever gotten hurt or killed from eating irradiated products. The Washington Times says, "No food irradiation worker has ever been documented to suffer health effects from irradiated food. None." Irradiating food is a lot safer to eat red, and white meat without being killed because of deadly bacteria.

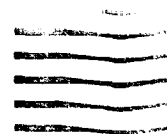
For the above three reasons, I still strongly agree with the FDA's decision to allow foods to be irradiated. I think it's a really good opportunity to save lives while we can, and while it's possible. It may cost a little more, but it's better to stay healthy than to become unhealthy. So please allow foods to be irradiated. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Sincerely,

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